JEWISH MEDICAL ETHICS EVALUATIVE EXPERIENCE (JME – EE), SHALHEVET HIGH SCHOOL, CJI

*Dear WSS (Wonderful Shalhevet Students),*

*Please answer the following questions which prove above all that: a) you know how to use spell check. B) You pay attention in class c) you have a mind and know how to use it. Please email me during the exam with questions and I will respond on my Blackberry in real time. You may skip two questions with no points lost. Write ‘FREE BEE’ on your answer sheet next to the question numbers (yes, yes, can be used for Extra credit if you answer correctly). Write your responses in a word document and email me the answers.*

*Thanks, Mrs. G.*

Short Answer – 6 points each

1. Apply any of the Aseret Hadibrot to Jewish Medical Ethics. EXPLAIN! Write the dibrot in Hebrew.
2. Which story from Tanach SUPPORTS a Halacha from a JME? EXPLAIN! USE CORRECT GRAMMAR!
3. Which story from Tanach teaches us that this JME has been going on for a long time? EXPLAIN! WATCH YOUR SPELLING!
4. Which story from Tanach has a controversial and unclear ending that relates to our JME topics? Explain!
5. How do we explain the connection between Yehuda’s sons and JME?
6. What did the case of Roe vs. Wade eventually decide?
7. Does Halachic opinion agree or disagree with the results of Roe v. Wade? Explain, using pesukim as sources, how and why:
8. According to Halacha, when is a fetus considered a human being?  
   1. At conception  
   2. At birth  
   3. When it reaches its second/third trimester  
   4. When the gender is determined  
   5. When the baby is fully formed  
   6. When the heart beats  
   7. When the baby would be able to live on its own (out of the womb)
9. Which is your favorite graphic/cartoon used on the student JME wiki pages and WHY?
10. What is the most **fascinating or new** HALACHA you learned in JME? WHY? EXPLAIN.
11. What is the most **fascinating or new** TANACH story you learned in JME? WHY? EXPLAIN.
12. “For our bodies do not belong to us, they belong to G-d.” What are we forbidden to do based on this quote? (two JME topics). EXPLAIN EACH ONE FULLY!
13. Explain two Israeli organizations that show that Israeli medical experts excel in JME topics.

Match the following quotes to the relevant JME topic. 2 pts each

Word box:

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| **Pasuk or Halachic concept** | **Write the matching JME topic: i.e. abortion (can be more than one)** |
| 1. לא תרצח |  |
| 1. פיקוח נפש |  |
| 1. שופך דם האדם באדם דמו ישפך |  |
| 1. , פרו ורבו |  |
| 1. השחתת זרע לבטלה |  |
| 1. רַק הִשָּׁמֶר לְךָ וּשְׁמֹר נַפְשְׁךָ מְאֹד |  |
| 1. וחי בהם |  |

**TRUE OR FALSE PART: Write T (True) or F (False) 2 pts each:**

1. Rav Moshe Feinstein’s opinion of brain death are the same as American medical standards.
2. You must go bankrupt, according to Matthew’s rabbis, in order to support someone on life support rather than pulling the plug.
3. It is always permitted to pull the plug if the patient’s condition is considered fatal.
4. The patient’s opinion receives as much consideration as the rabbi’s opinion in the case of a Jewish medical ethic.
5. Generally, according to Halacha, abortions are permitted as long as they are in the first trimester.
6. Our bodies are considered a gift from G-d and therefore, Judaism has a strong opinion in ending life or changing life (as in plastic surgery or abortion).
7. Stem cell research is taking tissue from unborn fetuses (undeveloped cells) and turning it into another cell, essentially allowing the creation of a new organ. Halachically, this is problematic because fetuses are considered people, too, and the fetus is being harmed.
8. The story of Elisha and the Shunamite woman proves that one should never give up hope in a seemingly depressing medical case..
9. Bilha and Zilpa prove that surrogacy, as well as polygamy, were acceptable in Biblical times.
10. Shaul was rejected as king because he killed himself.
11. Hashem accepted Shimshon’s final plea for supernatural strength, which ended in his death.
12. Yiftach’s vow to G-d in Shoftim ended happily ever after.
13. Bais Yaakov girls during the Holocaust knew about the *issur* of suicide, but chose it anyway.

**FEEDBACK PART: 2 pts each:**

1. You liked (or, shockingly, didn’t like) this EE because…………
2. You liked (or, surprisingly didn’t like) studying JME because……………